

Grant Township
Ordinance No. ____-2016

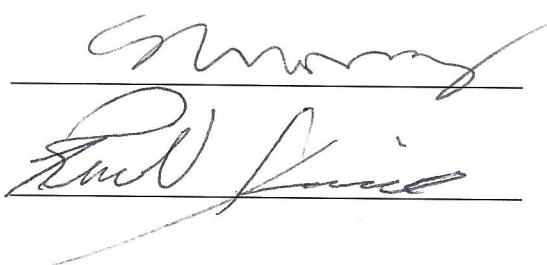
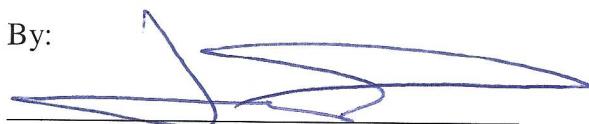
**ESTABLISHING A RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM PROSECUTION FOR DIRECT ACTION CARRIED OUT TO
ENFORCE THE GRANT TOWNSHIP HOME RULE CHARTER'S RIGHTS AND PROHIBITIONS; LEGALIZING
DIRECT ACTION ENFORCEMENT OF THE GRANT TOWNSHIP HOME RULE CHARTER'S
RIGHTS AND PROHIBITIONS**

Section 1. Authority. The Grant Township Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the people of Grant Township, adopt this Ordinance pursuant to the inherent authority of the people of Grant of local, community self-government, section 109 of the Grant Township home rule charter, and the authority of the people of Grant as recognized by the Pennsylvania Constitution's Declaration of Rights, the United States Constitution, and the principles codified by the Declaration of Independence.

Section 2. Right to Directly Enforce People's Rights. If a court fails to uphold the Grant Township home rule charter's limitations on corporate power, or otherwise fails to uphold the rights secured by Article One of the charter, the rights and prohibitions secured by the charter shall not be affected by that judicial failure, and any natural person may then enforce the rights and prohibitions of the charter through direct action. If enforcement through direct action is commenced, this law shall prohibit any private or public actor from bringing criminal charges or filing any civil or other criminal action against those participating in direct action. If filed in violation of this provision, the applicable court must dismiss the action promptly, without further filings being required of direct action participants. "Direct action" as used by this provision shall mean any activities or actions carried out to directly enforce the rights and prohibitions contained within the Grant Township home rule charter.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 5 day of April, 2016, by the Grant Township Board of Township Supervisors.

By:



Attest: 